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a display section (13) for displaying at least data read out from the storage section (17a) of the card unit (17) through said first communicating section (23, 243); and

a control section (20) for controlling said first dedicated communicating section (23, 243) and said second communicating section (24, 244) so as to transfer data between the card unit (17) and the external apparatus (15) while the external apparatus (15) is connected to said connecting section (14), and controlling said first dedicated communicating section (23, 243) and said display section (13) as to read out data from the storage section (17a) of the card unit (17) and to display the read-out data on said display section (13) while the external apparatus (15) is disconnected from said connecting section (14).

4. (Amended) The portable-card-unit processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a save storage section (30) for holding at least part of information that are stored in the storage section (17a) of the card unit (17),

said control section (20) being operable, when the card unit (17) is attached to said apparatus while the external apparatus (15) is disconnected from said connecting section (14), said first communicating section (23, 243) as to read said at least part of information from the storage section (17a) of the card unit (17) and to store said at least part of information into said save storage section (30).

7. (Amended) The portable-card-unit processing apparatus according to claim 4, wherein when said card unit (17) storing electronic money defined as an electronic symbol of currency in said